# EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT NOTICE OF REVISED/NEW BULLETIN

**Examination Title: STAFF SERVICES MANAGER III** 

The Staff Services Manager III examination bulletin dated June 1, 2001 has been revised.

This exam has been changed from a Continuous Testing exam to a Continuous Filing exam; therefore, the cut-off dates: June 30 and December 31 are no longer valid. Testing is anticipated to occur annually with the next commence testing date scheduled for April 24, 2003.

If you have already submitted an Examination Application (STD 678) for this Staff Services Manager III examination, you DO NOT need to submit another application.

If you meet the minimum qualifications for the Staff Services Manager III based on the "Requirements for Admittance to the Exam" on page 2 of the bulletin and would like to participate in this examination, please file an application following the filing instructions on the bulletin.

If you have any questions regarding this examination, please contact Nanci Loftin at (916) 654-6059.



# STAFF SERVICES MANAGER III

## DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL

(CONTINUOUS FILING)

# **COMMENCE TESTING NOTICE**

The Employment Development Department's (EDD) Human Resource Services Division (HRSD) is currently accepting applications for the Staff Services Manager III examination. The next commence testing date is:

### THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2003

This is a continuous filing exam, which means HRSD will accept Examination Applications (STD 678) continuously for applicants who meet the education and/or experience requirements. Testing occurs in accordance with the hiring needs of the user Division(s) the exam serves.

**NOTE:** Testing is anticipated to occur annually with commence testing dates planned for the last Thursday of every April.

All applications must be <u>POSTMARKED</u> no later than the commence testing date in order to be considered for this exam. Applications received after the commence testing date will be kept on file for the next exam. Applications not sent through the U.S. Postal Service (i.e., hand carried to HRSD) must be <u>RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M. ON THE COMMENCE TESTING DATE.</u> Use of EDD metered mail, including EDD interoffice mail (e.g., red or gold bag), and FAXED applications are prohibited.

For additional information regarding employment opportunities, job duties, entrance requirements, salary ranges and testing information, see the exam bulletin posted in your designated posting area.

If you have any questions regarding this exam, please contact Nanci Loftin at (916) 654-6059.

THE ATTACHED BULLETIN REPLACES AND SUPERCEDES ALL PRIOR BULLETINS.



# STAFF SERVICES MANAGER III

### PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION

CALIFORNIA STATE GOVERNMENT - AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION. AGE. OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORK PLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

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EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

COMPETITION LIMITED TO STATE (EDD) EMPLOYEES

Applicants must have a permanent civil service appointment with the Employment Development Department in order to take this examination.

**POSITIONS** 

Positions exist in Sacramento.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The Staff Services Manager (SSM) III has full management and supervisory responsibility in a headquarters setting. In EDD, SSMs III lead--through subordinate managers and staff--analytical work in program and administrative areas. Examples of program settings include Workforce Development, Job Services, Unemployment Insurance, and Disability Insurance Branches and the Directorate Offices. Examples of administrative settings include Administration, Program Review, and Public Affairs Branches. In both settings, SSMs III work collaboratively with representatives of internal and external organizations; oversee the development and implementation of key policy recommendations and procedures; lead in the formulation and execution of strategic and tactical plans; and ensure quality customer service and process improvement.

SALARY RANGE

\$6032 - \$6651

CONTINUOUS FILING

This is a continuous filing exam, which means Examination Applications (STD 678) will be accepted continuously. Testing will occur in accordance with the hiring needs of the Department (commence testing dates will be announced).

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

A departmental promotional eligible list will be established for the Employment Development Department. Names of successful competitors are merged onto the list in order of final score, regardless of date. Eligibility expires **36-months** after it is established.

Recompetition Restrictions **Note:** Competitors will be permitted to recompete for this examination, prior to the expiration of their 36-month list eligibility, and after 18-months from the cut-off date of the exam in which they competed.

COMPETITORS MAY COMPETE ONLY ONCE IN ANY CONSECUTIVE 18-MONTH PERIOD.

SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS

If you need special testing arrangements, please answer question 2 on page 1 of the Examination and/or Employment Application (STD. 678) (REV. 12/2001). You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

SEE PAGE 2 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

# FILING INSTRUCTIONS

All Examination Applications (STD 678) must be **POSTMARKED** no later than the commence testing date in order to be considered for that administration. Applications postmarked after the commence testing date will be kept on file for the next administration. Applications not sent through the U.S. Postal Service (i.e., hand carried to the Human Resource Services Division) must be **RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M. ON THE COMMENCE TESTING DATE**. Use of EDD metered mail, interoffice mail (e.g., red or gold bag), and faxed applications is prohibited. Submit applications directly to:

EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES DIVISION, MIC 54 ATTENTION: <u>Staff Services Manager III Exam</u> P.O. BOX 826880 SACRAMENTO. CA 94280-0001

### DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

Note: All applications must include "from" and "to" dates (month/day/year), time base, civil service class titles, and range. Applications received without this information may be rejected because of incomplete information.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION **Note:** All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements for this examination at the time of filing.

Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated below include more than one pattern and are distinguished as "Either" I "or" II. For example, candidates possessing qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern I, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern II, may be admitted to an examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirements.

Minimum Qualifications

#### EITHER I

One year of experience in the California state service performing the duties of a Staff Services Manager II (Supervisory) or Staff Services Manager II (Managerial).

### OR II

One year of experience in the California state service performing analytical staff duties of a class with a level of responsibility not less than that of Staff Services Manager II (Supervisory) or Staff Services Manager II (Managerial).

#### and

Current employment in a class with a level of responsibility not less than that of Staff Services Manager II (Supervisory) or Staff Services Manager II (Managerial).

#### OR III

Two years of experience in the California state service performing the duties of a Staff Services Manager I.

#### OR IV

<u>Experience</u>: Five years of increasingly responsible management, personnel, fiscal, planning, program evaluation, or related analytical experience which shall have included the preparation of reports and the presentation of recommendations to management beyond the trainee level, at least two years of which must have been in a supervisory capacity.

[Experience in the California state service applied toward this requirement must include two years performing the duties of a class with a level of responsibility not less than that of Staff Services Manager II (Supervisory) or Staff Services Manager II (Managerial).]

(In appraising experience more weight will be given to the breadth of pertinent experience and the evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of the experience.)

#### and

<u>Education</u>: Equivalent to graduation from college. (Additional qualifying experience may be substituted for the required education on a year-for-year basis.)

# SPECIAL PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

Demonstrated ability to act independently, open-mindedness, flexibility, and tact.

#### **SCOPE**

#### A. KNOWLEDGE OF:

- 1. Staff services functions such as fiscal; personnel; program policy development, analysis, and evaluation; and business operations.
- 2. EDD's business goals, vision, organizational structure, culture, philosophy, operating principles and values.
- Federal, State, and local governmental policies and issues and how they impact EDD.
- 4. Control agency, budgetary, and legislative policies and procedures.
- 5. Business, economic, workforce, and legislative trends that affect EDD's strategies for carrying out its mission.
- 6. Current leadership principles, practices, and trends.
- 7. Information technology systems and their application to a staff setting.
- 8. Principles and practices of personnel management and employer/employee relations.
- 9. The Department's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) program objectives, and a leaders role in the EEO program, and the processes available to meet EEO objectives.

#### B. ABILITY TO:

- 1. Guide staff in the use of appropriate tools selected from a variety of data and analytical methods for making recommendations and decisions.
- 2. Foster collaborative partnerships within and across organizations.
- 3. Effectively represent the Department and/or Program on multiorganizational teams as leader, member, and/or facilitator.
- 4. Manage multiple projects and priorities.
- 5. Actively participate in the development and implementation of strategic, tactical, and operational plans.
- Ensure that quality management and continuous process improvement are practiced in the organization, with an emphasis on customer service/satisfaction and accountability.
- 7. Clearly communicate the content of and rationale for EDD's business goals, vision, organizational structure, culture, philosophy, operating principles and values.
- 8. Build staff capacity through effective coaching, modeling adaptation to change, mentoring, and fostering initiative.
- Communicate effectively to a variety of internal and external audiences; and effectively market the Department's services, programs, and initiatives.
- 10. Fulfill management responsibilities under the Ralph C. Dills Act (State Employer/Employee Relations).

# **EXAMINATION INFORMATION**

This examination will consist of a Promotional Readiness Evaluation Process weighted 100%. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained.

#### ORAL INTERVIEWS WILL NOT BE HELD.

<u>Promotional Readiness Report (PRR)</u> - Candidates will be required to complete a self-assessment of recent experience and achievements relative to the SCOPE outlined on this bulletin which demonstrates their promotional readiness. Management input will be obtained through the completion of the PRR. Each candidate will have the opportunity to review and discuss his/her PRR with the report completer.

<u>Final Rating Panel (FRP)</u> - A FRP will convene and assign each candidate a final competitive score based on the information provided in the Examination Application/Resume, and the candidate's and management's input in the PRR (including any written rebuttals received by the date the FRP convenes).

Note: CANDIDATES WHO DO NOT COMPLETE AND RETURN THEIR PROMOTIONAL READINESS REPORT BY THEIR SPECIFIED DUE DATE MAY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE EXAMINATION PROCESS.

INQUIRIES ABOUT THIS EXAMINATION All inquiries about this examination should be directed to Nanci Loftin at (916) 654-6059 or at nloftin@edd.ca.gov.

In addition, EDD maintains a 24-hour recorded Automated Call Processing System. This system, which is updated weekly, provides information on upcoming final filing dates for EDD's open and promotional examinations. To access this system from a touch tone telephone, call (916) 654-6869.

#### This bulletin replaces and supercedes all prior bulletins

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

THE EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances change under which this examination was planned. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all candidates will be notified.

IT IS THE CANDIDATE'S RESPONSIBILITY to contact the Employment Development Department, Human Resource Services Division, (916) 654-6869, four weeks after filing his/her application if he/she has not received a Receipt of Application notice.

**EXAMINATION APPLICATIONS** (STD 678) are available at local offices of the Employment Development Department, at the State Personnel Board, and on the Internet at www.spb.ca.gov/jobsgen/app.htm.

If you meet the requirements stated on this bulletin you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirement(s) does not ensure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the other candidates who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

**EXAMINATION LOCATIONS:** When a written test is part of the examination, it will be given in such places as the number of candidates and conditions warrant. When oral interviews are part of the examination, ordinarily, such interviews are scheduled in the following areas: Sacramento, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. However, locations of interviews my be limited or extended as conditions warrant.

**IF A CANDIDATE'S NOTICE** of oral interview fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

**INTERVIEW SCOPE:** If an interview is conducted, in addition to the SCOPE described on this bulletin, the Final Rating Panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs, his/her plans for self-development, and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

**ELIGIBLE LISTS:** Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open eligible list. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in from one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin. In the case of continuous testing examinations, names are merged into the appropriate eligible lists in order of final test scores regardless of the date of the test and the resulting eligible lists will be used only to fill vacancies in the area shown on the bulletin.

**PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATIONS ONLY:** Veterans Preference Points are not granted in promotional examinations. Competition is limited to employees who have a permanent civil service appointment. Under certain circumstances other employees may be allowed to compete under provisions of Rules 234, 235, and 235.2. State Personnel Board Rules 233, 234, 235, 235.2 and 237 contain provisions regarding civil service status and eligibility for promotional examination. These rules may be reviewed at the EDD's Human Resource Services Division, at the State Personnel Board, and on the Internet at www.spb.ca.gov/spblaw/srchrule.htm.

HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCE: Equivalence to completion of the 12th grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Educational Development (GED) test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college-level work; 3) certification from the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school authorities that the candidate is considered to have education equivalent to graduation from high school; or 4) for clerical and accounting classes, substitution of business college work in place of high school on a year-for-year basis.

EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT Human Resource Services Division, MIC 54 P.O. Box 826880 Sacramento, CA 94280-0001 Telephone/Exam Hotline: (916) 654-6869 Web site: www.edd.ca.gov

California Relay Service for Hearing Impaired: From TDD Phone: (800) 735-2929 From Voice Phone: (800) 735-2922

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